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TETSUYA ISHIZUKA, ET AL. : ATTN: APPLICATION DEPT.
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FOR: METHOD OF AMPLIFYING OR :
DETECTING HIV-1 RNA

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, the Applicants respectfully request entry of the following Preliminary Amendment.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.